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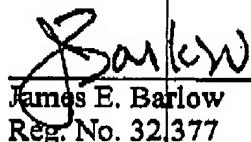
BEST AVAILABLE COPY**REMARKS**

Claims 7-9 are pending. Claims 1-6, 10, and 11 have been canceled. Claims 7-9 have been allowed. The applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of this application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The only claims that are pending in this application are allowed claims 7-9. Therefore, the applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. A timely notice to that effect is respectfully requested. If questions relating to patentability remain, the examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone.

Although no fees are believed to be due, please charge any unforeseen fees that may be due to Deposit Account No. 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,



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